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IN THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently amended) A torsion bar for application in belt winders for safety belts, provided comprising a bar having on end sections thereof [[with]] drive and/or locking elements for positive connection to respective devices, characterized in that the torsion bar (1) including the drive and/or locking elements (2, 3) embodied at the ends thereof end sections for achieving different torques at constant sizes of the drive and/or locking elements (2, 3) and varying diameters of the torsion bar (1) is produced in one piece in a cold forming impact extrusion process from a non-ferrous metal, using impact extrusion.
- 2. (Currently amended) A torsion bar according to claim 1, eharacterized in that wherein the drive and/or locking elements (2, 3) embedied at the ends thereof have equal or larger exterior dimensions than the torsion bar (1) itself.
- 3. (Currently amended) A torsion bar according to claim 1, wherein elaims 1 or 2, characterized in that the torsion bar (1) is made from aluminum in a cold forming process.
- 4. (Currently amended) A torsion bar according to claim <u>2</u> 1, characterized in that wherein the aluminum is used with up to has a 99.5 % by Vol. purity.
- 5. (Currently amended) A torsion bar according to <u>claim 1</u>, <u>wherein elaims 1</u> through 4, characterized in that the torsion bar (1) is constructed cylindrical or prismatic.

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6. (Currently amended) A torsion bar according to <u>claim 1</u>, <u>wherein one of claims 1 through 5</u>, <u>characterized in that</u> the drive and/or locking elements (2, 3) are provided as toothed wheels or as catching elements provided with flattenings.

7. (Currently amended) A torsion bar according to <u>claim 1</u>, <u>wherein one of claims 1 through 6</u>, <u>characterized in that</u> a transfer section (4) is provided <u>in the form of having</u> a conical section or a flute between the drive and/or the locking elements (2, 3).